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In re Application of: Moreh, et al.)
Application No.: 09/827,697) DECISION ON PETITION FOR
Filed: April 07, 2001) ACCELERATED EXAMINATION
For: FEDERATED AUTHENTICATION) UNDER M.P.E.P. §708.02(VIII)
SERVICE)

This is a decision on the petition filed June 20, 2003, and supplemented by Petitioner's submission dated October 06, 2003 under 37 C.F.R. §1.102(d) and M.P.E.P. §708.02(VIII): Accelerated Examination, to make the above-identified application special.

M.P.E.P. §708.02, Section VIII which sets out the prerequisites for a grantable petition for Accelerated Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.102(d) states in relevant part:

A new application (one which has not received any examination by the examiner) may be granted special status provided that applicant (and this term includes applicant's attorney or agent) complies with each of the following items:

- (A) Submits a petition to make special accompanied by the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(h);
- (B) Presents all claims directed to a single invention, or if the Office determines that all the claims presented are not obviously directed to a single invention, will make an election without traverse as a prerequisite to the grant of special status.
- (C) Submits a statement(s) that a pre - examination search was made, listing the field of search by class and subclass, publication, Chemical Abstracts, foreign patents, etc. A search made by a foreign patent office satisfies this requirement;
- (D) Submits one copy each of the references deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims if said references are not already of record; and
- (E) Submits a detailed discussion of the references, which discussion points out, with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c), how the claimed subject matter is patentable over the references.

Petitioner's submission dated October 06, 2003 cures the deficiencies in the original Petition noted in the decision mailed August 29, 2003. Accordingly, the Petition is GRANTED.

It is noted that the Examiner of Record has examined the instant application and issued a First Office Action. The application file is being forwarded to the Examiner of Record for following the special examining procedure set forth in M.P.E.P. §708.02.



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